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In re the application of: Gallant, et al.

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Examiner: R. Ngo

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING QUALITY OF SERVICE IN IP
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 16, 2001, designated as Paper No. 4 in the
above-captioned application, please enter the following Remarks as follows:

REMARKS

In view of the following remarks, favorable reconsideration of the outstanding office
action is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-24 remain in this application.

1. Drawings

The notice attached to the Office Action indicates that the drawings submitted were
deemed to be informal and were not reviewed by the Examiner or Official Draftsman, but are
acceptable for examination purposes only. Formal drawings will be submitted for review and
approval by the Examiner upon issuance of a Notice of Allowance, or earlier upon the
Examiner's request for clarifications or revisions to the drawings based upon the informal
drawings previously submitted.

2. § 102 Rejections

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated
by U.S. Patent No. 5,889,777 (the Miyao patent). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

The standard for anticipation is set forth in MPEP 2131, which states, "A claim is